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Subject: Re: Advanced Notification: EPA Release of Lifetime Drinking Water Health Advisories for Perfluorooctanoic acid and Perfluorooctane Sulfonate

Thanks Rudy. Do we have any clue on what the level will be?

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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Subject: Advanced Notification: EPA Release of Lifetime Drinking Water Health Advisories for Perfluorooctanoic acid and Perfluorooctane Sulfonate

Later today, EPA will be releasing updated lifetime drinking water health advisories for Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS) to provide drinking water system operators, and state, tribal and local officials who have the primary responsibility for overseeing these systems, with information on the health risks of these chemicals. I will follow up with the link to the health advisory information when it is available.

PFOA and PFOS were used to make carpets, clothing, fabrics for furniture, paper packaging for food and other materials (e.g., cookware) that are resistant to water, grease or stains. They are also used for firefighting at airfields and in a number of industrial processes.

Companies in the U.S. voluntarily agreed in 2006 to phase out U.S. production of these chemicals. While consumer products and food are a large source of exposure to these chemicals for most people, drinking water can be an additional source in the small percentage of communities where these chemicals have contaminated water supplies. Such contamination is typically localized and associated with a specific facility.

Health advisories are non-regulatory documents that provide EPA's assessment of the current peer-reviewed science on health effects. EPA's role in issuing health advisories is to provide information on health effects and treatment techniques to remove PFOA and PFOS from drinking water.

EPA is committed to supporting states and public water systems as they determine the appropriate steps to reduce exposure to PFOA and PFOS in drinking water. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like any additional information.